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COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority (MWPA)
FROM: Mercedes Carcasses, *Code Compliance Administrator and* MWPA Liaison
DATE: July 14, 2015
SUBJECT: **Meeting of the Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority on Tuesday, July 14, 2015**

A meeting of the Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 4th Floor of City Hall. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Review and approval of The Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority minutes of the June 9, 2015 meeting.
2. Discuss Waterfront Protection Items.
3. Beachfront concessionaire agreement.
4. Environmental update.
5. Open Discussion.

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MARINE AND WATERFRONT PROTECTION AUTHORITY MEETING
July 14, 2015

1. **(Old Business): REVIEW AND APPROVAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE MARINE AND WATERFRONT PROTECTION AUTHORITY OF JUNE 9, 2015.**
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Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority Members:

Addison Sammet – Appointed by Commissioner Deede Weithorn,
Albert Parron – Appointed by Mayor Phillip Levine,
Barbara Herskowitz – Appointed by Commissioner Mickey Steinberg,
Captain Daniel Kipnis – Appointed by Commissioner Jonah M. Wolfson,
Dr. Ronald Shane – Appointed by Commissioner Joy Malakoff,
Dr. Morris Sunshine – Appointed by Commissioner Michael Grieco,
Maurice Goodbeer – Appointed by Commissioner Micky Steinberg,
Monica Casanova – Appointed by Mayor Phillip Levine,
Robert Schwartz – Appointed by Commissioner Joy Malakoff,
Sasha Boulanger – Appointed by Commissioner Ed Tobin,
Stephen Bernstein – Appointed by Commissioner Deede Weithorn,
William Cahill – Appointed by Commissioner Ed Tobin,
Lizette Lopez – Appointed by Commissioner Jonah M. Wolfson,
Robert Christoph Jr. – Appointed by Commissioner Michael Grieco

Date: June 9, 2015

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of the Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority
of June 9, 2015.

The attendees were as follows:

Board members: Chairman Captain Dan Kipnis, Robert Schwartz, Dr. Morris Sunshine,
Barbara Herskowitz, Albert Parron, Dr. Ronald Shane, Lizette Lopez and
Robert Christoph Jr.

Public: See attendance sheet attached.

City Staff: Mercedes Carcasses, Code Compliance Adm., Code Compliance
Department,
Noelia Gonzalez, Office Associate IV, Code Compliance Department,
Margarita Wells, Environmental Resource Manager, Building Department,
Bruce Mowry, City Engineer, Public Works Department.

Absent: Stephen Bernstein, Sasha Boulanger, Addison Sammet, Maurice
Goodbeer, William Cahill and Monica Casanova

MEETING COMES TO ORDER AT: 9:04 AM

Minutes review. Motion to approve the May meeting minutes made by Chairman /Captain
Daniel Kipnis; seconded by Albert Parron. (8-0).

OPEN DISCUSSION

Private and Public Sea Wall: City Engineer Bruce Mowry discussed current sea level rise issues and provided overview on private and public sea walls. He indicated that the Public Works Department is responsible for establishing the minimum criteria and Code Compliance Department is responsible for enforcement.

Environmental Update: Environmental Manager, Margarita Wells provided update as previously requested by the MWPA on the different issues pertaining to the beach walk system. There are three different segments of the beach walk system that have projects that are either in design or that will be going into construction in the near future. The three (3) segments are as follows: 3rd street to 5th street, 46th street to 64th street, and the last segment is the boardwalk section connecting to 29th street which is currently under review. Ms. Wells also discussed the sand re-nourishment challenges such as lack of funding and sand source.

Request to be informed: Dr. Morris Sunshine raised concerns over use of lights in Lummus Park and the effect it may cause on turtle nesting. He also raised a concern on the lack of signage along the beach walk indicating the prohibited use of trikes, Segways, cycles, etc.

Dune Management Plan: Ms. Wells provided update on the progress of the trimming of sea grapes in the dunes and informed that the objective is to protect during storm surges.

Styrofoam Docks: Board discussed floating Styrofoam dock system currently being used during the boat show. Board requested that the regular Styrofoam docks be phased out in favor of the encapsulated docks. The main objective is to minimize Styrofoam pollutants.

Maurice Gibbs Park/Purdy Ramp: Issues on the Purdy boat ramp were revisited as board voiced concern of adding a water taxi service to the congested park.

Beachfront Concessions: Board raised concerns regarding beachfront over-usage. City staff mentioned this process is being addressed; however, due to the sensitive and complex nature of beachfront management, a finalized management plan should not be expected until the end of the 2015 Fiscal Year at the earliest.

Beachfront Locker Services: Dr. Morris Sunshine requested that Mark Milisits, Asset Manager with the Office of Real Estate provides feedback on status of beachfront locker service.

Motion: Albert Parron made a motion to alternate the Waterfront Protection and Marine Authority as primary topics for each meeting. Beginning in the June 9, 2015, with Marine Authority and alternating to Waterfront Protection in July and so on. Dr. Morris Sunshine seconded (8-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 10:46 AM

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2. DISCUSS WATERFRONT PROTECTION ITEMS.

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3. BEACHFRONT CONCESSIONAIRE AGREEMENT.

Ms. Marcella Paz Cohen

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4. ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE.

Ms. Margarita Wells, Environment Resources Manager, Building Department

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5. OPEN DISCUSSION.

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ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR
Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2015

	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
1	Kipnis	Dan	P	P	P	A	P	P						
2	Bernstein	Stephen	A	A	A	A	P	A						
3	Boulanger	Sasha	P	P	P	P	P	A						
4	Goodbeer	Maurice	P	P	A	A	A	A						
5	Schwartz	Robert	P	P	P	P	P	P						
6	Sunshine	Morris	P	P	A	P	P	P						
7	Herskowitz	Barbara	P	P	P	P	P	P						
8	Cahill	William	A	P	A	P	P	A						
9	Sammet	Addison	A	A	A	A	A	A						
10	Parron	Albert	P	P	P	P	P	P						
11	Shane	Ronald	P	P	P	P	P	P						
12	Casanova	Monica	A	A	A	A	A	A						
13	Lopez	Lizette	N/A	P	P	P	P	P						
14	Christoph	Robert	N/A	P	P	P	P	P						
15														
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A: Absent

P: Present

N/M: No Meeting

N/A: Not Applicable